

MAYORS COMMIT TO SHARED RENEWABLE GROUND TRANSPORTATION GOAL BY 2045

Mayor Kirk Caldwell was joined by the mayors from Maui County and Kaua'i County, and Hawai'i County's managing director, to commit to transform Hawai'i's public and private ground transportation to 100 percent renewable fuel sources by 2045.

Each county leader signed a proclamation aboard the Hōkūle'a berthed in Pōka'ī Bay on December 12, 2017. Master Navigator Nainoa Thompson participated in the signing ceremony, as the Hōkūle'a promoted sustainability and resilience during its recent Mālama Honua voyage.

"With this announcement, we want to send a message that we welcome the next phase of Hawai'i's clean energy transformation, which will not only reduce our carbon dioxide emissions



Mayor Caldwell was joined by Maui Mayor Alan Arakawa, Kaua'i County Mayor Bernard Carvalho, Hawai'i County Managing Director Wil Okabe, Honolulu City Councilmember Joey Manahan, Master Navigator Nainoa Thompson, and students of Kamaile Academy aboard the Hōkūle'a in Pōka'ī Bay.

and fossil fuel imports, but will also ensure a more resilient future," said Mayor Caldwell.

This pledge represents the critical next step to energy sustainability since ground transportation accounts for over one-quarter of Hawai'i's imported fossil fuel consumption and greenhouse gas emissions. The proclamations solidify Hawai'i's role as a global renewable energy leader, with the state and all four counties becoming the first in the nation to commit to a 100 percent renewable transportation future.

Honolulu, Maui, and Kaua'i counties pledged to lead the way by transitioning all of their fleet vehicles to 100 percent renewable power by 2035, and Hawai'i County plans to establish a goal toward the same end.

The proclamations also continue Hawai'i's transition away from fossil fuels and builds off a 2015 state law that requires 100 percent of Hawai'i's electricity to be generated by renewable sources by 2045. Hawai'i's 2045 goal was the nation's first such benchmark. The mayors' pledges are in alignment with Hawai'i's recent commitment to the goals of the Paris Climate Agreement that seeks to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and keep global warming below 1.5 degrees Celsius.

PRIORITIES

HOUSING Ninety ADUs have been completed as of December 20, with 319 building permits issued and 40 awaiting pickup. In November, 161 people moved into permanent housing from O'ahu emergency and transitional shelters, and other homeless programs.

PARKS Kākou for Parks update:

- 63 renovated comfort stations
- 65 new and refurbished play apparatus
- 177 resurfaced play courts at 41 parks
- 119 different parks receiving improvements since 2015

The city installed a "sand mattress" pilot project on the Kūhiō Beach Park shoreline to mitigate erosion.

City officials updated community on status of the historic Waikīkī Natatorium War Memorial and the Environmental Impact Statement targeted for completion by summer 2018. The city is exploring four possible alternatives: Closed Pool System, Perimeter Deck, Beach, or Debris Removal.

THEBUS The city permanently expanded service for Route 2 of TheBus to 24/7 service. Route 2 is one of Oʻahu's busiest bus lines serving neighborhoods in Kalihi, Chinatown, Downtown, Makiki, Pawaʻa, Waikīkī and Kapahulu.

New fare rates effective Jan. 1, 2018: TheBus monthly pass: \$70 TheBus one-day pass: \$5.50 TheBus single fare: \$2.75

ALA MOANA REGIONAL PARK BATHHOUSE RENOVATION PROJECT BEGINS

The bathhouse located on the Diamond Head-end of Ala Moana Regional Park, near the L&L concession by 'Āina Moana (Magic Island), is undergoing significant renovations as part of the Mayor's 9-Point Community Action Plan calling for immediate improvements to the park.

The renovations, which began on December 11, are designed to improve the security, usability, and amenities of the bathhouse. Among planned improvements are the installation of skylights, reroofing, repairing the tile floor, improving ADA compliance within the restrooms, adding security gates and screens, and replacing the exterior drinking fountain.

The bathhouse will be closed to the public for the duration of the project, which is expected to finish by summer 2018. No portable toilets will be provided during this time as other bathrooms are nearby.



MAYOR CALDWELL SURPASSES 5-YEAR REPAVING GOAL

At a press conference on December 15, Mayor Kirk Caldwell announced that the city has exceeded its goal of refurbishing 1,500 lane-miles of substandard roadways across Oʻahu within five years, repaving a total of 1,774 lane miles since January 2013.

This total represents half of the city's entire inventory of 3,517 lane miles. Over the course of Mayor Caldwell's administration, and with funding provided by the City Council, the city has invested an unprecedented \$550 million into repaving, more than any administration in the history of the City and County of Honolulu. Typically, a newly repaved road will last seven to 15 years before showing obvious signs of wear, but many of the newly repaved roads are treated with slurry seal and crack seal coating, helping them to last as long as 25 years.

Meanwhile, as the number of freshly paved lane miles continues to increase, the number of potholes being filled has fallen, from approximately 48,000 in 2013 to an estimated 23,000 by the end of 2017.

Mayor Caldwell has promised to continue the aggressive repaving campaign with upcoming projects in 2018 to include major thoroughfares in urban Honolulu as well as roads in 'Aiea Heights, Campbell Industrial Park, Kalaeloa, and Mānoa.





SUCCESSFUL 45TH RUNNING OF HONOLULU MARATHON

Honolulu hosted the 45th annual Honolulu Marathon, the state's largest event and the fourth largest marathon in the nation, on Sunday, December 10. More than 28,000 participants took part in this year's race, with approximately 15,000 runners from Japan and 6,000 from the U.S. Continent and abroad.

To ensure the safety, security, and success of this event, the City and County of Honolulu worked with Honolulu Marathon officials as well as federal and state partners, including the FBI and Hawai'i National Guard. Other key contributors included city departments and personnel such as the Honolulu Police Department, Honolulu Emergency Services Department, Department of Emergency Management, Department of Facility Maintenance, Department of Parks and Recreation, and Department of Transportation Services.

CITY BEGINS ISLANDWIDE LED STREET LIGHT CONVERSION PROJECT

Mayor Kirk Caldwell announced at a November 30 press conference the city's plans to replace more than 53,000 street lights across O'ahu with energy-efficient LED street lights. The conversion project will help to increase visibility within the community.

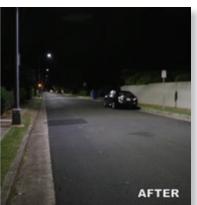
"It's about public safety," said Mayor Caldwell. "Pedestrians will be seen. Drivers and vehicles will see each other much better."

The switch to LED lamps also means less emissions and light pollution.

"Besides not contributing to climate change, we're actually going to be saving a lot of money and we're going to be much more energy efficient," said Mayor Caldwell.

Once all of the lights have been replaced, the city is expected to realize energy savings of approximately \$5 million per year. The conversion project will begin in March 2018, with work starting in more rural areas of the island. Much of the installation will be performed during nights and weekends to minimize traffic impacts, with scheduled completion in December 2019.





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